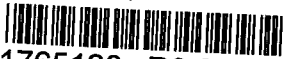




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Re: Rico-Argentine Mine Site - Response of Crystal Gas
Storage, Inc. to EPA's Request For Information Pursuant
to Section 104 of CERCLA

Dear Bill:

It was great to get to meet you Monday at the meeting in EPA's Conference Center. I think the discussion was productive and I look forward to working with you, Alan Au and Chuck Stilwell as we move forward at Rico. I was also pleased that we were able to clear up the communications problem. Lee Hanley and I look forward to being copied on all correspondence sent to the State of Colorado, the Town of Rico or other entities regarding activities that ARCO is planning or implementing in and around Rico. I also encourage ARCO to notify/consult with EPA prior to going forward with any other activities in and around Rico.

Per your request, please find enclosed Crystal Gas Storage, Inc.'s narrative response to EPA's June 14, 2000 Request For Information pursuant to Section 104 of CERCLA. If you would like to look at any of the supporting documents submitted by Crystal in conjunction with its response, please let me know.

As I mentioned Monday, I will call you within the next couple of weeks to follow up on Monday's discussions. In the meantime, please don't hesitate to call me if there is anything you would like to talk about.

Sincerely,

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